## **EXHIBIT A**

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

ARAMARK HEALTHCARE SUPPORT SERVICES, LLC

CASE NO. 1:25-cv-06361

Plaintiff,

Judge Joan B. Gottschall

v.

Magistrate Judge Gabriel A. Fuentes

WAUKEGAN ILLINOIS HOSPITAL COMPANY, LLC d/b/a VISTA HEALTH SYSTEM,

Defendant.

## **DECLARATION**

I, Eric Daelhousen, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the below information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:

- 1. I am employed by Aramark Healthcare Support Services, LLC. ("Aramark") and am authorized to make this declaration on its behalf.
  - 2. I serve as the Director of Financial Planning and Analysis at Aramark.
  - 3. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained in this declaration.
- 4. Aramark is a food and facilities services provider and provides these services to its clients in various industries including the healthcare industry.
- 5. On or about May 1, 2014, Waukegan Illinois Hospital Company, LLC d/b/a Vista Health System ("Vista") and Aramark entered into a written agreement wherein Aramark agreed to provide Management Services on behalf of Vista, and Vista would pay Aramark for those services and the costs Aramark incurred in providing those services (the "Agreement").

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6. A true and correct copy of the Agreement is attached to Aramark's Motion For

Entry of Default Judgment as Exhibit B.

7. In November 2023, Aramark and Vista executed an amendment to the Agreement

following Vista's failure to pay for Aramark's services ("November 2023 Amendment"). The

November 2023 Amendment required Vista to make full payment for all outstanding and future

invoices pursuant to a payment plan specified.

8. A true copy of the November 2023 Amendment is attached to Aramark's Motion

For Entry of Default Judgment as Exhibit C.

9. After executing the November 2023 Amendment, Vista continued to accrue

charges for services Aramark rendered and continued to breach its obligations by failing to pay for

those services and meet the obligations set forth in its payment plan.

10. Despite Aramark making multiple requests for payment, Vista has failed or refused

to pay Aramark for the services Aramark rendered to Vista or the costs Aramark incurred in

rendering those services, which now total \$4,801,624.71.

11. True and correct copies of Aramark's unpaid invoices is attached to Aramark's

Motion For Entry of Default Judgment as Exhibit D.

12. To date, Aramark has not been paid the amount due for services it rendered despite

multiple requests for payment.

13. The documents referenced in this declaration are documents generated in the

ordinary course of Aramark's business, and it was the regular business practice of Aramark to

make or keep the information contained in these documents as part of its regularly conducted

business activity. The information contained in these documents was generated at or near the time

of the acts or events they reference by a person with knowledge of these matters or based upon

information supplied by such a person.

/s/ Eric Daelhousen

Signature

Date: August 13, 2025